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No. 82. Read the following letter from Major E. LAWFORD, Officiating Chief Engineer; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, dated 13th July 1858, No. 1902.

SIR,

With reference to para 5 of Extract Minutes Consultation No. 1052, dated the 2nd June last, I have the honor to forward for submission to Government, an Estimate amounting to Rupees (2,500) two thousand and five hundred, for removing bushes and trees from the walls and roof of Tiroomal Naiks Palace in the Madura District, and for making certain repairs to the same.

2. In para 1 of the accompanying copy of a letter,* Major Marshal observes that the use of crow-bars and pick-axes is necessary for the removal of the roots of trees, which, in some places, have penetrated through the building, and notices the danger which is likely to ensue in eradicating them.

* No. 209 dated 26th June 1858.

3. For the restoration of a portion of the Palace to its original appearance, it is essential to re-roof the two Corridors of the upper story on the north and south sides of the dome of the Durbar Hall now used as the Sessions Court.

4. Owing to the dilapidated condition of the Corridors and rooms on the East, North, and South sides of the entrance yard, nothing more can be effected, except at a very great expense, than the mere clearing the shrubs from the roofs.

5. It appears to me that the works proposed by Major Marshall will contribute materially to the preservation of the Buildings, but that they will not effectually prevent dilapidation arising from vegetation.

Letter from Major G. A. MARSHALL, Acting Executive Engineer 4th Class in charge of Madura District; to Colonel C. E. FABER, Chief Engineer, dated Pareacolum, 26th June 1858, No. 209.

SIR,

1 I have the honor to forward an Estimate for clearing the walls and roof of Tiroomal Naik's Palace at Madura, as desired in Extract from your Proceedings No. 1083 of 11th June 1858, the roots of bushes in some places have grown quite through the building, they could not be eradicated without using crow-bar and pick-axe, the working of which would bring down parts of the building endangering the lives of the workmen. The west end of the building which was the Durbar Hall and is now used as the Sessions Court can be preserved by clearing away the shrubs, filling in the cracks and laying one course of thin bricks with a coat of Jelly and Chunam. The arched roof of the Corridor in front of this hall can also be preserved in this way.

2. Two Corridors on the upper story on the North and South side of the dome of the Sessions Court can be re-roofed, which would restore this part of the structure to its original appearance.

3. The roof of the Corridors, and rooms on the East, North and South sides of the entrance yard, are in so dilapidated a condition that beyond clearing them of shrubs &c. nothing can be done, under a very great expence, in fact to re-build them entirely excepting the pillars.

4. The room in which the Sub Court was held (Tiroomal Naik's sleeping apartment) was reported as dangerous by Lieutenant Scott during the rains in May, the Corridor at the west end and a portion of the south one fell down. Shrubs are growing on the roof and walls of this room, some of which can be removed by using scaffolding, but there are parts that cannot be reached. Scaffolding is required to reach the different parts of the building where shrubs are growing and for which the Estimate provides.

Fort Saint George, Public Works Consultation of 10th August 1858.

No. 83. ORDER THEREON, No. 1567; dated 10th August 1858.

Para. 1. With this letter, the Officiating Chief Engineer forwards with reference to para. 5 of Extract Minutes Consultation dated 2nd June last, No. 1052, an estimate amounting to Rupees 2,500 for removing bushes and trees from the walls and roof of Tiroomal Naik's Palace in the Madura District, and for making certain repairs to the same.

* Extract Minutes Consultation 27th July 1858, No. 1465, para. 3.

2. It is observed that the Officiating Chief Engineer was requested in a recent order* to report the amount of outlay that would be required for repairing and making safe the portions of the Palace used as the Moonsiff's Court and School room, and of performing such other work as would prevent the dilapidation of the Building from spreading. Major Lawford will issue instructions to include the present estimate in the general estimate called for.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Remarks by the Right Honorable the President opposite to — para 2 of the offg. Chief Engineers letter Dated 13th July 1858 No 1902.

If they cannot irradicate frequent cutting all of the parts visible would soon destroy the place, whatever the reason that there is so much difficulty in getting the Engineer to do any thing to preserve this building, it is better in our present position, to get small Estimates than large ones, as not only is delay thereby incurred, but perhaps the Estimate in consequence increased to a sum beyond the power of this Govt. to sanction. This has happened

with respect to the parapet
so much required in the new
road between Cobacamund and Coonoor.
parts of which are as danger-
ous as can be well conceived.

Sept. 9th/58 Signed J.H.

No 209.

From

The Acting Executive Engineer

4th Class in ch: of Madura District

To

The Chief Engineer

Depart[t] of Public W[ks]

Sir,

I have the honor to forward an Estimate for clearing the walls and roof of Tirumala Naiks Palace at Madura, as desired in Extract from your Proceedings No 1083, of 11th June 1858, the roots of bushes in some places have grown quite through the building, they could not be eradicated without using crow bar and pick axe, the working of which would bring down parts of the building endangering the lives of the workmen. The West end of the building which was the Durbar hall and is now used as the Sessions Court can be preserved by clearing away the shrubs, filling in the cracks and laying one course of Kiln bricks with a coat of Jelly and Chunam. The arched roof of the Carridor in front of the hall can also be preserved in this way.

2 Two Corridors on the upper storey on the North

Name and state title of the Owner of the Premises
Court can be ascertained, which would involve search of the Records
of the Collectorate in the original application.

3 The Terms of the Conveyance and
come on the Court, to settle and state title of the
several parties, are in the Individuals, a Condition that
Disputes relating thereto shall be referred for Arbitration, and
they under a very great Expence, are glad to receive
them entirely excepting the Claim.

4 The Premises in which the Sub Court
were held of Promenade Earth-Ramparts Guard-
-Rooms &c. belonging to Government Terrace
Pavement Steps Corridor &c. the Brick Arches
and a portion of the Stone pillars Stone Brick
are Standing, on the Roof and walls of the Rooms, some
of which can be removed, by using Scaffolding, but
there are parts that cannot be reached. Scaffolding is
required to reach the different parts of the building
where Shrubs are growing, and for which the Estimate
provides.—

Madura Distt. Engr. Office
Campo. Periacalum
26th June 1858

I have the honor to be &c.
Lieut. R.E. Marshall Engr.
& Asst. Co. Engr. & Superintg. Chief
Madura District

True Copy
Lieut
Offg. Chief Engineer

Sept. 61

Engineer Office of Mr.
Fort St. George
15th July 1858.

To Major

Genl. Sir Colin Campbell &c.

Sir,

I have the honor to forward for the information of Government a letter from Lieut. Colonel Chesney Inspecting Engineer Northern Division, dated 13th instant, reporting his proceedings during the late visit of inspection to the Fortifications of Vizagapatam, Ganjam and Chicacole.

2. I have also the honor to forward a letter from Lieut. Colonel Chesney dated 14th instant, reporting his proceedings during the late visit of inspection to the Fortifications of Masulipatam, Nellore and Pulicat.

3. I have the honor to be Sir, Your most obedient Servant

Engineer

Copy of a letter from Lieut. Colonel Chesney Inspecting Engineer Northern Division, dated Fort St. George 15th July 1858.

To

Lieut. Colonel Chesney

Inspecting Engineer

Northern Division

Sir,

I have the honor to report for the information of Government my proceedings during the late visit of inspection to the Fortifications of Vizagapatam, Ganjam and Chicacole.

2. I left Madras on the 1st instant and reached Vizagapatam on the 3rd instant.

3. I found the Fortifications of Vizagapatam in the same state as when I last inspected them in 1856.

4. The Fortifications of Ganjam are also in the same state as when I last inspected them in 1856.

5. The Fortifications of Chicacole are also in the same state as when I last inspected them in 1856.

6. I left Chicacole on the 6th instant and reached Madras on the 8th instant.

7. I have the honor to be Sir, Your most obedient Servant

Engineer

Madras 13th July 1858.

Sir,

I have the honor to report for the information of Government my proceedings during the late visit of inspection to the Fortifications of Masulipatam, Nellore and Pulicat.

2. I left Madras on the 7th instant and reached Masulipatam on the 8th instant.

3. I found the Fortifications of Masulipatam in the same state as when I last inspected them in 1856.

4. The Fortifications of Nellore are also in the same state as when I last inspected them in 1856.

5. The Fortifications of Pulicat are also in the same state as when I last inspected them in 1856.

6. I left Pulicat on the 12th instant and reached Madras on the same day.

7. I have the honor to be Sir, Your most obedient Servant

Engineer

Engineer Letter to England
dated 15th July 1858 No 32

1858 Dispatch

To Secretary to Govt.

Enclosures in Letter from the

Bengal Chief Engineer

No

Dated

Received 15th July 1858

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the flanks of the floors of brick, which, in some places, have penetrated through the building, and undoubtedly the damp which is likely to ensue on removing

2. On the restoration of a portion of the palace to its original appearance, it is essential to have one of the two Corridors of that appearing on the North and South sides of the Court of the Durbar, & I would recommend the Southern Corridor.

3. Owing to the dilapidated condition of the corridors and rooms on the East, North, and South sides of the entrance gate, nothing more can be effected, except at a very great expense, than to make temporary repairs to the roofs from the leaks.

4. It appears to me that the works proposed by Major Marshall will contribute materially to the preservation

of the Buildings, but that they will not effectually prevent dilapidation arising from vegetation.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedt. Servt
J. Lawford Major
Offg. Chf. Engr

Fort St George
13 July 1858.

To
The Secretary to Government
P.W.D.

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Buildings ( ) (Improvements

Abstract of Estimate № of 185 /5

District. Madura

Work. Repairing the roof of Tirumal Nayaks Palace over the Hall in which the [illegible] was held & adjacent apartments.

Quantities	Description of Work.	Rates.			Amount.	Amount of each part.
		Rs.	As	P.	Rupees.	Rupees.
C. Yds.						
1756	Cubic ft. Removing the old plastering — Cft.	-	-	6	56	
3572	Do. Rubbles & filling in Chunam — do	-	1	10	409	
11,286	Sup. Plastering — Square	2	-	-	286	
	Upper Story					
7956	Cft. Removing the old work — Cft.	-	-	6	61	
5952	Cft. Brick in Chunam — Cft.	-	2	-	741	
9497	Sup. Plastering — Sq.	2	8	-	239	
1228	Cft. Rubbles & filling in Chunam — do	-	2	-	153	
5288	Sup. Plastering — do	2	8	-	132	
	Scaffolding and Sundries Rs. —				103	
500	Coolies, required at 3 annas Each for removing the trees and bushes growing on the walls and on the roofs of the Palace —	-	-	-	94	
500	Cubic ft. of Brick in Chunam to replace those removed and broken in reeling out the Shrubs —	-	2	6	78	
	Amount Carried Over				2355	

Rs. Estimate Amount Rs. 2355

Rs. Workable Contingencies at 5 per Cent. 117 12

Rs. Total Amount Rs. 2472 12

Rs. 2472.

C. 30 July 1852.

Quantities.	Descriptions of Work.	Rates			Amount	Amounts of each part.
C. Yds		Rs	as	P	Rupees	Rupees
	Brought Over				2355	
	Scaffolding to reach the arches preparing on the walls of the Palace intended to the Establishment and Servants				145	
						2500

Value Estimated Rupees 2500

Central Office of Public Works
Fort Saint George
13 July 1858

Engineer
Officiating Chief Engineer of Public Works

Pt.

Copy in a Letter to England
of 19th May 1858 No 32.

Enclosure

Nil

From

The Offg Chief Engineer

To

The Secretary to Govt

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Public Works 13 E 5/5/58.

OWD 15537/57

No 1902

Actual Estimate of Repairing the Roof of Terrenal Nail's Barrack in the Hill in which Barrack marked and adjacent apartments in the District of Madura.

Amounting to Comp's Rs 2500

O.W.D

No. 1567.

1857

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Under date the 10th Augt 1858.

Read the following

letter from the officiating

Chief Engineer.

(Dereceived 13th July 1858 No 1902)

1. With this letter the officiating Chief Engineer forwards, with reference to para 5 of Extract Minutes Consultation dated 2nd June last No 1052, an Estimate amounting to Rupees 2,500 for removing bushes and trees from the walls and roof of Terrenal Nail's Bastion in the Madura District, and for making certain repairs to the same.

Et.

2 It is observed that the Officiating Chief Engineer was requested in a recent order to report the amount of outlay that would be required for repairing and making safe the portions of the Palace used as the Moonsiffs Court and School rooms, and of performing such other work as would prevent the dilapidation of the Building from spreading. Major Crawford will if no instructions to include the present Estimate in the general Estimates called for.

* Sp. Mis. G. 24th July 1838 - No 1464 para 3.

10th Jan. to the Offg Chief Engr Dinapore

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Com 10th August

No 1567

Extract Minute of Court:
of 10th August 1858.

From the Offg Chief Engr 8th
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Copy in Letter to Engineer
of 19th May 58. No 82

Requesting Major Sanford to include the Estimate of Rs 2500 now submitted for removing bushes and trees from the walls and roofs of the Seroo: malay Rajahs Palaces in Madura in the General Estimate lately called for, by you, for repairing the Buildings so as to prevent further dilapidation.

No 82 + 83

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